# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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EXPORT OF SANDALWOOD AND SANDALWOOD OIL
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**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

(a) the foreign countries to whom sandalwood and sandalwood oil was exported during 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-01;

(b) the amount of foreign exchange earned during each year, country-wise and commodity-wise;

(c) whether the Government propose to take some measures to boost export of these commodities to existing foreign buyers and also to other new buyers during current financial year; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY ( SHRI MURASOLI MARAN )

(a) & (b) : As per latest DGCI&S data available, the value of sandalwood & sandalwood oil exported are as under:

(Rs/Crores)

| Year | Sandalwood | Sandalwood Oil |
|---|---|---|
| 1998-99 | Nil | 8.69 |
| 1999-2000 | Nil | 7.91 |
| April2000-Feb.2001 | 1.14 | 11.34 |

Country-wise export data is available in the DGCI&S publication, viz., `Monthly statistics of the Foreign Trade of India`.

(c) & (d) : Normal incentives applicable to all exporters are also available for exports of sandalwood oil and sandalwood products. Moreover, Government is extending Market Development Assistance to exporters through the Export Promotion Councils for competing in foreign markets through participation in overseas fairs, exhibitions and for mounting trade delegations.